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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Ichiro OTE, et al.
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Examiner: Pierre E. Elisca

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REQUEST FOR COMPLETE OFFICE ACTION

Associate Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

December 4, 2002

Sir:

Applicants acknowledge the second Office Action dated September 19, 2002.

Applicants request that it be supplemented or corrected to include a response to applicants arguments on dependent claims 16-19.

In the Amendment filed on July 16, 2002 in response to the first Office Action, applicants added new dependent claims 16-19 believed to clearly distinguish over the reference applied in the prior art rejection in the first Office Action. Applicants included separate arguments, in a separate section clearly indicated by an appropriate heading, explaining why claims 16-19 (sic) were believed to distinguish over the applied reference (see pages 8-9). The second Office Action dated September 19, 2002 did not respond or acknowledge the separate arguments directed to claims 16-19.

Applicants provided arguments in support of new claims 16-19 as they are required to do by 37 CFR 1.111(b). However, the second Office Action fails to respond to such arguments directed to claims 16-19. The remarks in part 6 on pages 3-4 of the Office Action address only the original claims 13-15. This failure does not advance the prosecution of this application because applicants do not know why claims 16-19 are not believed to be allowable by the Examiner and thus cannot make any claim amendments which may be appropriate.

Pursuant to MPEP 710.06, applicants request that they be provided a time period of at least one month to respond to the corrected or supplemented Office Action. The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if it will accelerate examination.

Respectfully submitted,

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